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PATENT
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Customer No. 22,852

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:)
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Kunio SHIMIZU et al.) Group Art Unit: 1772
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Application No.: 09/900,961) Examiner: Sow Fun Hon
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Filed: July 10, 2001)
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For: CELLULOSE ESTER FILM,)
CELLULOSE ESTER DOPE,)
PROTECTIVE FILM OF)
POLARIZING PLATE AND)
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Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

PRELIMINARY REMARKS

Applicants respectfully request consideration of the following Preliminary Remarks and Rule 132 Declaration, which are being filed after the Request for Continued Examination filed January 26, 2004, but before a first office action.

I. Status of the Claims

Claims 15, 16, 18-24, and 26-28 are currently pending in this application. No amendment is included with these Preliminary Remarks.

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